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Proceedings.

NewBerne, N. C., Oct. 13th, 1853.

The delegates composing the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, met according to previous appointment, in the Baptist church, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

Elder James McDaniel, the former President, after a few prefatory remarks, opened the session of the Convention by reading select portions of the Scriptures and singing. Prayer by Elder Wm. Hooper.

The Secretary being absent, Elder A. McDowell was requested to

act as Secretary pro tempore,

The Convention then proceeded to organize, by enrolling the names of delegates present, when there appeared from the

Beulah Association—Elders J. J. James, Thomas S. Yarbrough,

Aaron Jones and A. McDowell.

Brier Creek—No delegate.

Chowan—No delegate.

Cape Fear—No delegate.
Flat River—No delegate.
Leftered No delegate

Jefferson—No delegate. Liberty—No delegate.

Pee Dee—Elder A. D. Blackwood. Raleigh—Dr. William M. Crenshaw.

Pamlico-Elder J. J. Lansdell. Tar River-Elder L. C. Perkinson.

Union — Elders J. P. Montague, William H. Jordan, G. Huffham, and brother G. R. French.

Sandy Creek-Elder William C. Patterson.

Catawba—No delegate. Yadkin—No delegate.

CHURCHES.

Smithfield-Brethren A. A. Dance and P. R. Helm.

Milton-Elder Archibald McDowell.

Raleigh-No delegate.

Mars Hill-Elder Aaron Jones.

Trinity-No delegate.

Louisburg-No delegate.

Wake Forest-Elders William T. Brooks and W. M. Wingate.

Grassy Creek-Elder R. I. Devin.

Oxford—Elder R. I. Devin.

Island Creek-No delegate.

Mount Pleasant-Elder R. I. Devin.

Orange Street, Wilmington-No delegate.

Salisbury-No delegate.

First Bap. Church, Wilmington-Elder William H. Jordan.

New Berne-Elder William Hooper, C. Kelly, J. M. C. Brinson and Z. Slade.

Fayetteville—Elder James McDaniel, George Johnson, Joshua McDaniel, Thomas Underwood and J. C. Stevenson.

Juvenile Missionary Society, Fayetteville-F. H. Ivey.

Cedar Creek—No delegate.
Cartledge's Creek—No delegate.
Spring Hill No delegate.

Spring Hill—No delegate.
Olive Branch—C. J. Nelson.
Wake Union—No delegate.
New Bethel—S. S. Biddle.
Tarborough—No delegate.
Ellis' Church—No delegate.
Conoconary—No delegate.

Blackwood's Chapel-Elder A. D. Blackwood.

New Hope-Jeptha H. Layton.

Wake Cross Roads-Nathan P. Strickland.

Shady Hill—No delegate.
Friendship—No delegate.
Hepziba—Elder James S. Purify.
Bear Creek—Elder T. S. Yarbrough.
Abbott's Creek—Elder T. S. Yarbrough.

Saron—Elder A. D. Blackwood. Bethel—Elder A. D. Blackwood.

Fork of Little River-Elder A. D. Blackwood.

INDIVIDUALS.

Mrs. Rebecca Blount—by Elder George Bradford.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Elder John E. Montague, (by Grassy Creek church,) Elder R. I. Devin, (Sisters of Grassy Creek church,) Elder A. D. Blackwood, Jeptha H. Layton, (by New Hope.)

The Convention then proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the re-election of all the officers of the previous year, except that Elder Archibald McDowell was chosen Corresponding Secretary, instead of Elder John H. Lacy, now missionary to Central Africa.

The President having taken the chair, announced the appointment

of the following committees:

Finance—Brethren James C. Stevenson, S. S. Biddle and T. Underwood.

Religious Exercises-The Pastor and Deacons of the NewBerne Church.

Arrangements—Elders James S. Purify, A. D. Blackwood, J. J. James, William T. Brooks and Thomas S. Yarbrough.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned to meet to-morrow morn-

ing 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder George Bradford.

Elder John H. Lacy being absent, the introductory sermon was preached at 7 o'clock, by his alternate, Elder R. I. Devin, from Habakkuk 2: 14.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock.

The Convention met according to adjournment. The President read an appropriate portion of Scripture, and prayer was offered by Elder Aaron Jones.

The list of delegates was called, and the proceedings of yesterday

were read and approved:

Elder James S. Purify from the Committee of Arrangements, reported the order of business, which on motion of Elder J. J. Lansdell, was accepted.

The constitution and rules of order were then read by the Secretary. The President invited correspondents to seats with the Convention.

On motion, a committee consisting of Elders Thomas S. Yarbrough, W. C. Patterson and L. C. Perkinson, was appointed to revise the list of Life Members of the Convention.

On motion, Elders J. J. Lansdell, James B. Jackson and J. P. Mon-

tague, were appointed to revise the list of Baptist Ministers.

A question here arose in reference to the principle of representation in the Convention, which was referred to a committee consisting of brethren S. S. Biddle, William T. Brooks and W. Hooper.

The Annual Report of the Board of Managers was called for, read

and accepted.

A verbal alteration having been made in the report, by the direction of the Convention, it was unanimously adopted, and directed to be printed with the minutes.

On motion of Brother James C. Stevenson, the question whether a motion to receive a report involves its adoption, or whether by a motion to receive, a report only becomes the property of the Convention, and is thereby subject to any modification or amendment they may deem expedient, was referred to the committee previously appointed on the principle of representation in the Convention.

The Convention agreed to commence its sessions at 9 o'clock, A. M., adjourn at 1 P. M., meet again at 3 P. M., and adjourn at 5 P. M.

On motion, so much of the report of the Board of Managers, as relates to the co-operation of Associations with the Convention, was referred to a committee consisting of Elders Thomas S. Yarbrough, W. H. Jordan and Dr. William M. Crenshaw.

A committee of W. C. Patterson, G. R. French and W. Hooper, was appointed to make arrangements for holding mass meetings on the objects of the Convention. To report this evening.

Elders J. J. James, William T. Brooks and William H. Jordan,

were appointed a committee on the Agency of the Convention.

The hour agreed on for adjournment having arrived, the Convention on motion, adjourned to meet again at 3 o'clock. Prayer by Elder A. D. Blackwood.

3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened with

prayer by Elder J. J. Lansdell.

Communications addressed to the Convention were read, and such as had reference to the financial business of the Convention, were referred to the Committee on Finance, and the remainder to the Board of Managers.

Brother C. J. Nelson constituted a delegate by Elder R. I. Devin,

on funds placed at his disposal, was welcomed to a seat.

A committee consisting of Elders W. M. Wingate, R. I. Devin, and brother George Johnson, was appointed to nominate a Board of Managers for the ensuing year, and also persons to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College.

A Committee on Periodicals was appointed, consisting of Elders W.

T. Brooks, James S. Purify and William H. Jordan.

A communication was received and read from Sister Meredith requesting the advice of the Convention relative to procuring an Editor for the Biblical Recorder, which was referred to the committee on Periodicals.

Correspondents to other bodies were called on to report, when Elder R. I Devin reported that he, together with several other members of this body, attended the Southern Baptist Convention, which held its

session in the city of Baltimore, in May last.

A communication was received from the Western Convention containing friendly salutations, and recommending Elder C. B. Mingus as a beneficiary at Wake Forest College, which was referred to the Board, and the Corresponding Secretary directed to reply to it.

CORRESPONDENTS TO OTHER BODIES.

Appointed to the Western Convention—Elders J. J. James, Thomas S. Yarbrough, Robert B. Jones, R. H. Griffith and W. C. Patterson. To the South Carolina Convention—Elders James McDaniel, W.

H. Jordan and W. M. Wingate.

To the General Association of Virginia—Elders Thomas W. Tobey, William T. Brooks, Aaron Jones, George Bradford, James S. Purify, R. I. Devin, William Hooper and Nathaniel J. Palmer.

Elders William Hooper, William H. Jordan and brother George R.

French, were appointed a Committee on Special Changes.

Elder William Hooper, chairman of the committee on mass meetings reported, that they recommend the holding of a mass meeting on Saturday evening, on the subject of General Education; and on Monday evening a similar meeting on Domestic Missions and Ministerial Education.

On motion of Elder J. J. James, the houses of worship of the Methodist and Presbyterian denominations, which had been kindly tendered, were unanimously accepted.

The Convention then adjourned to meet to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder W. M. Wingate.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock.

The Convention met, and was opened with the usual preliminary exercises by the President, and prayer by Elder James B. Taylor of Richmond, Va.

The list of delegates was called, and the proceedings of yesterday

read.

The President then announced the presence of Elder James B. Taylor of Richmond, Va., and brother George Parks of Charleston, S. C., and cordially invited them to seats with the Convention. Elder Taylor was recognized as a representative of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and brother Parks as a representative of the Southern Baptist Publication Society.

The committee appointed to revise the list of Baptist Ministers, reported through their chairman, Elder J. J. Lansdell, which report was,

on motion, adopted.

Elder Thomas S. Yarbrough from the committee to revise the list of

Life Members reported, and the report was, on motion, adopted.

The committee to nominate a Board of Managers of the Convention, and persons to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College, reported as follows:

BOARD OF MANAGERS LOCATED AT MILTON, N. C.

Aaron Jones, James M. Allen, Albert G. Stevens, Jos. J. Yarbrough, George W. Thompson, P. S. Henson, Wm. H. Kersey,
Richard A. Newbill,
Joel B. Walters,
Henry A. Powell,
W. T. Walters,
Peyton A. Dunn,
A. J. Spivey, M. R. Forey.

Dr. Wm. M. Crenshaw, Adolphus G. Jones, G. W. Thompson, Wake, R. I. Devin, G. R. French, Geo. Bradford,

To fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of W. F. College—Robert W. Lawson, Rock'ham c'ty.
Thomas Settle,
do.
James M. Allen, Milton.
Geo. W. Thompson, Milton.

The above report was, on motion, unanimously adopted.

Elder Thomas S. Yarbrough from the committee to whom was referred that part of the report of the Board of Managers which has reference to the co-operation of Associations with the Convention, reported, and after interesting remarks from Elders Hooper, James, Yarbrough, Taylor and others, the report was unanimously adopted. See Appendix.

The Convention then proceeded to appoint the place of holding the next annual meeting. Petitions were presented from the churches in Fayetteville, Milton and Warrenton. After the claims of each of these

places were canvassed, it was unanimously agreed that the Convention will hold its next meeting with the church in Fayetteville.

Elder William T. Brooks from the committee on periodicals repor-

ted, and the report was adopted. See Appendix.

Elder William Hooper from the committee on Religious Exercises, requested that the mass inceting appointed to be held on Monday evening should be changed to Sunday evening, which was agreed to.

On motion of Elder A. D. Blackwood, the Convention then adjourned to meet on Monday morning 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder William

T. Brooks.

The afternoon was occupied by the annual meeting of the North Carolina Bible and Baptist Publication Society. See proceedings.

SATURDAY EVENING, 7 o'clock.

According to previous appointment, the delegates of the Convention together with a large number of citizens and strangers, assembled in the Baptist church to hold a mass meeting on the subject of general education, with particular reference to the endowment of Wake Forest College. Elder J. J. James was called to the chair, and prayer was offered by Elder William H. Jordan. The meeting was then addressed successively by Elders Archibald McDowell, W. M. Wingate, Mr. George S. Stevenson of Newbern, and Elder James B. Taylor of Richmond. The following resolutions proposed by Elder James B. Taylor, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the past history and present prospects of Wake Forest College furnish a ground of gratitude and thanksgiving to God, and an incentive

to increased liberality on its behalf.

Resolved, That the prevailing destitution of well qualified ministers, both in the home and foreign fields, imposes upon the churches the obligation to pray the Lord of the harvest to increase the number of laborers.—and in accordance with this prayer, to call out and cultivate the ministerial gifts which He has bestowed upon them.

After which the meeting adjourned.

SUNDAY, October 16th.

The Conventional sermon was preached this morning at 11 o'clock in the Baptist church, by Elder J. J. James, followed by Elder James B. Taylor; after which a collection was taken up in behalf of Foreign Missions amounting to \$159.00.

At 3 o'clock, P. M., a sermon was preached in the Baptist church

by Elder W. Hooper, on the subject of ministerial education.

At 7 o'clock a mass meeting was held on ministerial education and domestic missions, which was presided over by Elder James McDaniel, and was successively addressed by Elders James S. Purify, Thomas S. Yarbrough, George Bradford, James B. Taylor and W. Hooper. A collection was then taken up amounting to \$162.00.

Services were also held, during the day, by members of the Conven-

tion, at the Methodist and Presbyterian churches.

Monday Morning, 9 o'clock.

The Convention met according to adjournment, and was opened by the usual preliminary exercises. Prayer by Elder James B. Jackson. The names of delegates were called, and the proceedings of the pre-

vious meeting read and approved.

The order of business was taken up.

Elder A. McDowell was appointed to preach the Introductory sermon before the next Convention, Elder W. M. Wingate alternate .-Elder Aaron J. Spivey was appointed to preach the Missionary sermon, and Elder Q. H. Trotman alternate.

The Agent of the Convention made his report, which, on motion,

was adopted.

Elder A. D. Blackwood, Special Agent of the Convention, reported that he had performed some labor and collected some funds for the Convention, all of which have been reported through his churches.

Brother S. S. Biddle from the committee on the principle of representation in the Convention, made a report, which, after considerable discussion, was indefinitely postponed.

Elder James S. Purify offered the following resolution, which was

unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention request Elder Wm. Hooper to furnish a copy of his sermon, preached yesterday on ministerial education, for publication in the Baptist Preacher and Biblical Recorder.

Dr. William M. Crenshaw offered a resolution requesting Elder R. I. Devin to furnish a copy of his sermon, preached before the Convention on Thursday night last, for publication in the Recorder, which was likewise unanimously adopted.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock this evening.

Prayer by Elder L. C. Perkinson.

Monday, 3 o'clock P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The President being absent, Elder J. J. James, Vice President, took the chair, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Elder W. Hooper.

The committee on the agency reported recommending the re-appointment of Elder T. S. Yarbrough, as the general agent of the Convention for the ensuing year, which report was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Elder J. S. Purify, the officers of the Board were instructed to make an arrangement with the Publisher of the Recorder to appropriate a particular department in that paper, for publications relating to the Convention.

On motion of Elder James S. Purify,

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to have the minutes of the Convention published in the Biblical Recorder; and also that he have one thousand copies printed in pamphlet form, and distribute one half of them to the Associations.

On motion of Elder A. D. Blackwood,

Resolved, That this Convention instruct the Secretary to have the minutes printed at the office of the Biblical Recorder.

The committee on special changes not being ready to report, was continued, and instructed to send the report to the Secretary in time to be printed with the minutes.

On motion of Elder W. M. Wingate,

Resolved, That the Convention recommend that immediate steps be taken to raise, by cash subscriptions, a sufficient sum to place a suitable enclosure around the campus at Wake Forest College.

On motion, the Secretary was allowed fifty dollars for his services in keeping the records of this body.

On motion, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Newbern, for the generous hospitality extended to them during their session in this place.

Also, To the Methodist and Presbyterian denominations for the use of their

houses of worship so kindly tendered to us.

Also, That the above resolutions be published in the papers in this place.

The Financial committee reported, and the report was adopted.—
See Appendix.

On motion the remaining business of the Convention was referred to

the Board

The Convention then adjourned to meet with the church in Fayetteville on Thursday before the 3rd Sabbath in October 1854.

Prayer by Elder G. Huffham.

JAMES McDANIEL, President.

A. McDowell, Secretary pro tem.

At 7 o'clock, the closing sermon was preached in the Baptist church, by Elder James McDaniel.

Appendix.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

ARTICLE 1. This Institution shall be called the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

ART. 2. The primary objects of this Convention shall be the education of young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they respectively belong; the employment of missionaries within the limits of the State; and a co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention in the promotion of missions in general.

ART. 3. The funds devoted to these objects shall be kept distinct from each other, and punctually appropriated, agreeably to the specific intention of contributors.

ART. 4. This Convention shall be composed of such individuals and delegates from such institutions as shall make adequate contributions to its funds.

ART. 5. Every Association or individual shall be entitled to send to the Convention one delegate, who shall be a member of the Baptist church, for every ten dollars paid into the Treasury.

ART. 6. Any regular member of the Baptist Church, by contributing at one time, the amount of thirty dollars to the funds of the Convention, may become a life member, provided he or she continues a member in good standing in the Baptist church to which he or she belongs. Also, by the payment of one hundred dollars at one time may become a life member of the Board of Managers, upon the same conditions.

ART. 7. The officers of this Convention, to be elected annually, shall be a President, three Vice Presidents, a Corresponding and Recording Secretary, a Treasurer and an Auditor, who, with twenty others, shall constitute a Board of Managers, five of whom shall form a quorum.

ART. 8. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Convention and Board, that of the Vice Presidents, to preside in case of his abesence, according to seniority. The Secretaries shall be required to discharge the duties appropriate to their respective offices. The Treasurer shall hold the funds of the Convention, to be subject to the order of the Board; shall give security for the faithful discharge of his duty, and shall make an annual report of all receipts

- and expenditures, which shall be audited and published with the miuutes. The duty of the Auditor will be to audit the accounts of the Treasurer.
 - ART. 9. The Board of Managers shall meet quarterly or oftener, at such time and place as they shall, from time to time, designate; when they shall adopt such measures as shall best tend to carry into effect the objects of the Convention, subject to the provisions of the Constitution.
 - ART. 10. There shall be an adequate number of Agents, subject to the direction of the Convention or its Board, whose duty it shall be to visit Associations, churches, &c., and endeavor to secure their co-operation with this Institution, conformably to the provisions of the Constitution.
 - ART. 11. The Convention shall hold its meetings annually, at such time and place as it shall direct.
 - ART. 12. The Convention shall require of its Board a full report of all their proceedings at each annual meeting.
 - ART. 13. Any alteration may be made in this Constitution at any annual meeting, with the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Every meeting for business shall be opened and closed by prayer, either by the presiding officer, or some one whom he shall appoint.

2. Every speaker shall rise and address the President on any subject

to be discussed.

3. No motion shall be debated unless seconded; and no member shall speak more than twice on the same motion, without special leave of the Convention.

4. The President shall be chosen by ballot. The other officers in any way the Convention may direct, but not necessarily from among

the members.

5. Every question shall be decided by the living voice, unless other-

wise directed.

6. During the hours of business, all private conversation, walking across, or out of the house, without permission of the President first obtained, shall be deemed a breach of order.

7. The names of members shall be called each day, previous to pro-

ceeding to business.

8. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, signed by the mover,

and handed to the Chair or Secretary, before debated.

9. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged. But no motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment.

10. When a motion has been once made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the majority to move for re-consideration thereof on the same day.

11. When the reading of a paper is called for, and is objected to by

any member, it shall be determined by a vote of the Convention.

12. No member shall absent himself from the service of the Convention, unless he has leave, or be sick and unable to 'attend.

13. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution, shall be

decided by a majority of votes.

14. Should the presiding officer fail to enforce the foregoing regulations, he shall be regarded as untrue to his trust, and shall be liable to be reminded of his duty by any member present.

A List of the Missionaries of the Convention with their P. Offices.

Rev. R. H. Griffith, Mocksville. | James A. Moore, Pittsboro. Robert B. Jones, Drowning Creek. | A. D. Blackwood, McCollum's Elias Dodson, Yanceyville. | Store. | Store. | J. B. Jackson, Raleigh. | J. J. Lansdell, Plymouth.

Proceedings of the Board.

AT MILTON, N. C.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the N. Carolina Baptist State Convention, held at the office of the Recording Secretary in Milton. Present—Rev. Archibald McDowell, Chairman, Nathaniel J. Palmer, James M. Allen, William H. Kersey and P. S. Henson.

The report of Elder R. B. Jones. Missionary to the Valley of the Catawba, was received and read. Elder Jones speaks of several new churches being soon constituted. As he proposes to take charge of four churches the ensuing year within his present field of labor, the Board agree to assist them to the amount of seventy-five dollars in effecting that object. The state of the finances of the Convention would not authorize them to pledge more at this time.

The quarterly reports of Elders Griffith and Ivey, Missionaries of the Board, were also received and read, which were quite satisfactory. Elder Ivey has been appointed a Missionary of the Beulah Association, and Elder Griffith proposes taking charge of some churches.

A letter was received and read from brother N. Edmonson of Haywood county, N. C., recommending brother C. B. Mingus, a young minister, as a beneficiary of the Board, for the purpose of improving his education at Wake Forest College, stating that he was recommended or approved by the Western Baptist Convention.

On motion, he was invited to appear before the Board at Milton, or the Faculty of Wake Forest College, for examination, so that if ap-

proved, he will be received.

On motion, Elder J. J. James was unanimously appointed a Special Agent of the Board for two months, to visit the towns of Salisbury, Charlotte and Wadesborough, and ascertain as to their need of Missionaries, and what amounts can be raised at those places for their support. Also to visit as many churches and Associations as he can in that region of the State, and endeavor to awaken them up to increased interest and effort in behalf of the objects of the Convention, and also to raise whatever funds he may be able for the Convention.

The Chairman and Secretary were requested to prepare the annu-

al report for the Convention.

The Board agreed to unite with the church in Milton in inviting the next annual session of the Convention to be held with that church, and then adjourned. Prayer by brother P. S. Henson.

NATHANIEL J. PALMER, Sec.

Meeting of the Board in Milton.

At a meeting of the newly-appointed members of the Board of Managers of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, held at the office of the Recording Secretary in Milton on Saturday, the 29th day of October, 1853.

Present—Elder Archibald McDowell, Nathaniel J. Palmer, Albert G. Stevens, James M. Allen, Geo. W. Thompson and Joseph J. Yar-

brough.

A quorum being present, Elder A. McDowell was called to the Chair, and the proceedings were opened with prayer by brother James M. Allen.

The Board then proceeded to the election of a Chairman for the ensuing year, when Elder A. McDowell was unanimously re-elected.

The Report of Elder Stinceon Ivey, Missionary for the Yadkin Association, was read and approved, and on motion the Treasurer was directed to pay him the sum of \$83.22, the balance due him as per account rendered.

The report of Elder Richard H. Griffith, Missionary to the towns of Salisbury, Mocksville and the neighborhood of Red Plains, was received and read. On motion, the Treasurer was directed to pay him \$175.78, the balance due him for services rendered as per account, subject to a credit for check sent him by the Secretary of \$100.

On motion, the Board agreed to appropriate fifty dollars to enable Elder Griffith to preach one Sunday in each month and the Saturday

before at Red Plains the ensuing year.

The Report of Elder Robert B. Jones, Missionary to the Valley of the Catawba, was received and read, all of which was satisfactory to the Board. The settlement of his claim on the Board was deferred until the coming in of his final report.

The Report of Elder William N. Hereford, Missionary to the western portion of the bounds of the Beulah Association, was received and read. He reports the baptism of seventy-five persons the past year.

On motion, the Treasurer was directed to pay to Elder Hereford two hundred and twenty-five dollars, the balance due him as per ac-

count rendered.

On motion, the Board agreed to appropriate fifty dollars towards the payment of the salary of Elder A. D. Blackwood the ensuing year, provided he will preach in the Baptist church at Wadesborough, Anson county, N. C., at least one Sabbath in the month for the ensuing year. Also on each fifth Sabbath when practicable.

Elder Elias Dodson and Elder Stinceon Ivey were appointed missionaries to travel for the ensuing year within the bounds of the Beulah Association, that Association being agreed to provide for their sup-

port.

On motion, Elder J. B. Jackson was appointed a Missionary of the Board to labor a part of his time in the county of Johnston the ensuing year, and agreed to appropriate one hundred dollars towards his

salary. Elder Jackson was authorized to act as a special Agent of the Board in the collection of funds for the Convention.

The Report of the Faculty of Wake Forest College in regard to the moral and literary standing of the Beneficiaries of the Board, was received and read, all of which was satisfactory to the Board.

The Board agreed to unite Salisbury and Charlotte as Missionary stations, and send a missionary to the county of Edgecombe as soon as

suitable missionaries can be procured for those places.

The Board then adjourned to meet again on Saturday before the third Sabbath in November.

Prayer by brother N. J. Palmer.

NATHANIEL J. PALMER, Sec.

N. B. The Boards of the different Associations or the Missionaries of the different Associations within the bounds of the Convention, are earnestly and affectionately requested to communicate to the Secretary, the amount and results of Missionary labor performed by them, so that their next annual report may exhibit the amount of missionary work effected by the Baptists of North Carolina. While this will be interesting to every Baptist, it will also show what we are doing as a denomination in this State in behalf of the great cause of Missions.

N. J. PALMER, Sec.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

The Board of Managers of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, in accordance with usage and the requirement of the constitution, are permitted, under the blessing of Divine Providence, to pre-

sent this their twenty-fourth Annual Report.

While we render unfeigned thanks to an ever gracious God, for the blessings of health, and for the measure of success that has attended the discharge of our official duties, it devolves on us to record the death of one who has been an active and efficient member of our body ever since the location of the Board in Milton.

Our esteemed brother Augustin Timberlake, a member of the Board and a Deacon of the church in Milton, died suddenly of Paralysis on

the 21st of May last.

These repeated dispensations of Divine Providence, in removing those who have been co-laborers with us in the vineyard of our common Lord, should admonish us all to be more faithful, and to labor diligently while we have time and opportunity, knowing that "there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave to which we are hastening."

In regard to the business transactions of the Board, during the past

year, we would present first the subject of

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

At the first meeting of the Board after the adjournment of the Convention, Elder Elias Dodson, was at the request of the Beulah Association, re-appointed a missionary, to labor in their bounds for twelve months. He accepted the appointment, and has performed his duties

with his accustomed faithfulness and success.

At the second meeting held on the 1st Nov., 1852, bro. James A. Moore, of Halifax county, Va., was appointed to labor in the county of Edgecombe for twelve months; and Elder J. J. James was appointed to preach in the town of Wadesborough, Anson county, and Charlotte, Mecklenburg county, both important and growing places and interesting stations for missionary labor. The Board regret to state that both of these appointments were declined, and that they have not been able, during the year, to obtain suitable persons to occupy these fields.

At the same meeting Elder A. D. Blackwood, of Montgomery county, was appointed General Agent of the Convention, but in consequence of his pastoral engagements, he was unable to accept the appointment. He however agreed to act as a special agent for the section of the State in which he resides. What he has effected, we have as yet no infor-

mation, but presume he will report to the Convention.

At a meeting of the Board held on the 19th November, Elder William N. Hereford was appointed to labor in the western portion of the

Beulah Association, for the remainder of the Conventional year. He accepted the appointment, and so far as the Board are informed has discharged his duties with energy and success. His last report has not yet been received. At the same meeting, Elder A. D. Blackwood was appointed to preach monthly or oftener in the town of Wadesborough, in Anson county. The Board have received no report from him, and therefore do not know whether or not he acted under the appointment.

At a meeting held on the 18th of February, 1853, Elder Stinceon Ivey of Madison, N. C., was appointed to labor, for twelve months, in the bounds of the Yadkin Association. He accepted the appointment, and his reports show that he has been engaged in the faithful discharge

of his duties.

At the third quarterly meeting of the Board held on the 18th of June last, Elder Thomas S. Yarbrough, then a student of the Baptist Theological Institution at Covington, Kentucky, was unanimously appointed General Agent for the Convention, with the usual salary. He accepted the appointment and entered upon the duties of the same. From the success with which he has thus far met, we doubt not he will be found a very faithful and efficient Agent. He will report directly to

the Convention.

At the same meeting brethren Henry A. Powell and Willie J. Palmer, members of the Milton church, were elected to fill vacancies in the Board, occasioned by the death of brother A. Timberlake, and the removal from the State of Dr. John J. Boswell. The chairman of the Board was requested to prepare and issue a circular to the Baptist ministers throughout the State, requesting them to lay the claims of the Convention before their congregations, and to take up collections in aid of its objects. This duty has been performed, and what good has been effected by it will be known at your meeting. We have the pleasure of knowing, however, that the Pastors of the churches in Milton and Yanceyville, in compliance with the request of the Board, presented the claims of the Convention to their congregations, and received contributions from them highly creditable to themselves and gratifying to the Board. And we can but hope that similar efforts have been made, with like results throughout the State.

Elder Robert B. Jones, missionary to the valley of the Catawba, and Elder Richard H. Griffith, missionary to the towns of Salisbury and Mocksville and the neighborhood of Red Plains, appointed previous to the last meeting of the Convention, have been laboring faithfully and successfully in their respective fields. The Board learn that they have both determined to accept the pastorate of churches, and regret that they shall lose their labors as missionaries of the Convention. The Board have agreed to aid to a small amount in the support of Elder Jones, with the understanding that he will as far as may be in his pow-

er, act as a special agent in raising funds for the Convention.

The foregoing embrace all the appointments of missionaries made by the Board during the year. An exhausted treasury and the difficulty of obtaining suitable men to act as missionaries, is the reason why more has not been done, in this most important department of our benevolent operations. Could the Board procure men, with the necessary qualifications, and the means of sustaining them, they might profitably employ at least thirty missionaries, and all the destitution in North Carolina would not then be supplied. Whereas, not above one-fifth of that number are now employed. It is true a considerable amount of missionary labor is performed through the agency of Associations, of which neither the Convention or its Board receives any account. While we rejoice to know that this is the fact, we would respectfully suggest to Associations engaged in this benevolent work, the propriety of allowing their missionaries to come under the direction of the Convention.—They might raise their funds, select their missionary, and designate the field in which they wish him to labor, and merely refer him to the Board for appointment and allow him to report to them.

The report of the Board of the Convention would then exhibit in one connected view all the missionary labor performed in the State. And the missionaries thus appointed, would be lead, from their connection with the Convention, to speak more frequently of the Convention and its objects, the tendency of which would be to remove prejudice, to disseminate correct information, and to engender a spirit of more en-

larged benevolence among our churches.

At a meeting of the Board held on the 26th of September, Elder J. J. James was appointed a special agent to visit the towns of Wadesborough, Charlotte and Salisbury, for the purpose of inquiring into the state of our cause in those places, and ascertaining as nearly as practicable, what amount it will be necessary for the Convention to advance, in order to sustain missionaries in those towns.

We would next invite attention to the subject of

EDUCATION.

The Board regard this as an object of paramount importance. The greatest difficulty they have to encounter in supplying the destitute with preaching, is the want of ministers possessing the necessary qualifications. Indeed the great desideratum with the Baptists of North Carolina, is an efficient ministry. And as one of the leading objects of the Convention, is to assist pious young men, who are desirous of entering the ministry, in obtaining the necessary mental culture, the Board regard the College at which these are to be trained, as one of the most important agencies connected with our benevolent operations. Hence we are pleased to learn that the prospects of our College were never more encourging than at present. During the last year, important additions have been made to the apparatus and other educational facilities of the Institution. The Agent has so far succeeded with the endowment as leaves but little doubt of its ultimate success. And although President White will in a short time dissolve his connection with the Institution, the remaining members of the Faculty are known to be faithful and efficient officers, devoted to the interest of the College, and the Trustees will doubtless act promptly, filling the vacancy by a man

worthy of public confidence, and qualified to conduct successfully, the educational interests of our denomination in the State. The Board entertain no fears in regard to the triumphant success of Wake Forest College. It is endeared to the Baptists of North Carolina by the sacrifices they have made to sustain it thus far, and there is no danger that they will forsake it now. But in view of the rapid increase in the facilities of other Institutions, it is important that the endowment fund should be at once completed, that the Trustees may be enabled to increase the number of the faculty and to furnish all necessary appliances for instruction, otherwise the patronage of the Institution will continue to be limited.

We are gratified to state that our Female Colleges at Murfreesboro' and Oxford, as well as various other schools under the influence of our denomination, are well sustained, and are rapidly advancing towards

permanence, and we trust, extensive usefulness.

In regard to the character of her schools, North Carolina is not behind the foremost of her sister States; and among the schools which rank first in our State, those of our own denomination occupy an elevated position. Let us continue to advance. Let us cherish and protect our schools as we would our chief treasures, for they may be truly styled the citadels of our strength, and the indispensable agents of our future success.

BENEFICIARIES.

There are, at present, but three young men receiving aid from the Convention; who are, as we learn, pursuing their studies successfully at Wake Forest College;—that they are all men of exemplary character, and that they bid fair to become eminently useful as preachers of the everlasting gospel. Brethren, can we not increase this number, at least four fold?

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We trust that, since your last meeting, a new impulse has been given to the cause of foreign missions, in at least a part of North Carolina.—Since that time Elder John H. Lacy, the highly esteemed pastor of the Milton church, has received and accepted an appointment, under the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, to Central Africa. He and his wife, who is also from North Carlina, together with two other brethren and their wives sailed from Boston in July last, and have doubtless, by this time, reached the place of their destination.

We learn that another brother, now in the service of this Board as a domestic missionary, has recently made application for an appointment

to the same mission.

There has been no regular Agent for the Foreign Board in our State during the year; but Elder Lacy, previous to his departure from this country, spent a short time in travelling and raising funds for the mission to which he is attached.

IMPORTANCE OF INCREASED EFFORT.

There never was a time when increased effort and enlarged liberality in behalf of all the objects of the Convention, were so imperatively demanded, as the present. The great and increasing demand for ministers in the State, to which reference has already been made, renders it exceedingly important that our educational fund should be greatly increased, in order that a greater number of young men may be assisted in preparing themselves for the ministry.

The domestic missionary fund requires to be increased, because the prejudice which formerly existed against the Convention and its missionaries, is rapidly passing away, and there are but few destitute places now where missionaries would not be kindly received and their labors appreciated. Hence the demand for an increased number of domestic

missionaries.

And the Foreign field never before presented so inviting an aspect. A revolution now progressing in China, bids fair not only to throw that vast empire open to the introduction of christianity, but to leave the whole nation divested, as it were, of all religion. And as no nation can remain long without some form of religion, the duty is imperative upon christians, to give them that religion which can make them wise unto salvation.

Africa, by recent explorations, has been found to be a much more inviting field for missionary labor than it was heretofore considered.—And Providence is opening other fields in different portions of the world. But it is unnecessary for the Board to pursue this subject further. At moment's reflection will show the vastness of the enterprise before us, and the importance of making our exertions commensurate with the magnitude of the work to be performed.

WESTERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Elder Robert B. Jones, who was appointed at the last meeting of the Convention, as a correspondent to the Western Baptist Convention, was at a subsequent meeting of the Board, requested to act as a special agent for them in the collection of funds. He attended the meeting, was kindly received, and they sent by him their circular letter, which accompanies this report, and also the sum of \$55.75 to be appropriated as directed in said letter. They wish it to constitute their Secretary, Elder Baily Bruce, a life member of the Convention, and to entitle Elder C. B. Mengus to a seat in your body. They also recommend the latter as a beneficiary at Wake Forest. The Board are gratified to witness the energy evinced by our Western Brethren in sustaining the organization formed at the recommendation of the Convention.

We trust that much good has been effected by it, and that more will

yet ensue.

We send a number of copies of their minutes to the Convention transmitted to us, and express the hope that the ministers of your body will continue to visit them.

The Board cordially unite with the church in Milton, in inviting the Convention to held their next meeting with said church.

Respectfully submitted, A. McDOWELL, Chairman.

NATHANIEL J. PALMER, Sec.

Report of Committee on the Report of the Board, &c.

Your committee have had so much of the report of the Board of the Convention as relates to the co-operation of the different Associations in this State with the Convention under consideration, and beg leave to report, that they heartily approve of this portion of the Report of the Board, and would respectfully in this place suggest some of the reasons why all the Associations in this State, or at least within the bounds of the State Convention, should in their opinion refer the appointment of their missionaries to the Board of the Convention. And 1st. Because if this were done the reports of our Board and the minutes of the Convention would then show at one view, what amount of missionary labor was performed in the State, and what were its necessities.

And we may also state under this head that it is expected to arrange with the publisher of the Bib. Recorder, to have in that paper a standing missionary head or department, under which will be published, probably, the principal officers of the Convention with the names of the missionaries and their post-offices, and also their regular quarterly returns and any other missionary matter of interest. By such a plan as this, if the Convention appointed all the missionaries, our knowledge of these matters

would be most complete and gratifying.

2. Because the Board, it is believed, from more extensive acquaintance, could in many cases procure an efficient missionary from abroad, when one could not be found within the bounds of the respective Associations, and if he could, then the Board would appoint him at the recommendation of the Association. And again, the Board having necessarily to meet quarterly and sometimes oftener, there would be no delay in their attention to these matters as might happen when the executive was not so well organized. This remark would apply to the weaker Associations; while there are other reasons why the stronger should pursue this course. If they are able to supply more than their own wants, then their connexion with the Convention would afford them the best means of disbursing that bounty.

3. Because if they attempt to co-operate with the Board in two of its objects, and act independently of it in the third, confusion and conflict of interest will often occur. It is therefore sincerely hoped by your committee that every Association within the bounds of the Convention will allow their missionaries to be appointed by the Board so that there may be union, concert and harmony in all our operations; and to se-

cure this,

Resolved, That the corresponding Secretary be instructed to communicate with the Associations on this subject, and report the result to the next Convention.

T. S. YARBROUGH, Chairman.

Treasurer's Report.

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JAMES S. PURIFY, Treasurer.

I have examined the above account and find it correct.

WM. T. BROOKS, Auditor.

Agent's Report.

I commenced laboring for the Convention on the last day of June, 1853, and have so continued up to the present time with the exception of 16 days, during which I was detained at home on account of sickness in my family, and other unavoidable circumstances.

I have travelled, according to my journal, 1150 miles; visited 172 families; attended three Associations; preached 27 sermons; baptized two persons and obtained 123 subscribers to the Home and Foreign

Journal.

I have collected for Home Missions \$340.00, for Educaton \$346.40, and for Foreign Missions \$200.00. Total \$886.40. I have visited the Beulah, Liberty, Sandy Creek, Flat River and Raleigh Associations principally, and have often had my heart cheered by the christian love and benevolence manifested by our dear brethren and friends.—My aim has been to diffuse as much religious information connected with our missions as I could, and to excite in the minds of brethren the missionary spirit. I have found four young brethren that would enter the ministry if they had the means of affording themselves a proper training for that important work. I endeavored to give them the best advice and all the encouragement I could to persevere; and I hope and expect that some of them will yet become efficient ministers. I have endeavored also to gain for the Convention the co-operation of as many individuals, churches and Associations as possible; in which I hope, I have to so good degree succeeded.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

T. S. YARBROUGH, Agent.

Report of the Committee on Periodicals.

Your committee are gratified to learn that the Biblical Recorder is

sustained by a good number of paying subscribers.

In order to render the paper still more efficient, the Proprietor now proposes to secure the services of a competent Editor. In making this arrangement, however, she wishes to have the concurrence and co-operation of the Convention.

The Proprietor informs your committee, that she is in correspondence with the Rev. J. J. James, and hopes she may be able to secure his

services as Editor.

We take great pleasure in recommending bro. James as a suitable person to become associated with the Recorder, and hope he may find it convenient to accept the proposition made him by the Proprietor.

The Home and Foreign Journal also claims our special consideration, as a periodical eminently calculated, not only to impart missionary intelligence, but also to incite every lover of his race to vigorous efforts to give the bread of life to the perishing heathen. Allow us then, to ask for this paper the patronage and influence of the whole denomination in the State. Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BROOKS, Chairman.

Report of the Committee on Finance.

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Blackwood's Chapel,		3	34		33	3	33		
Saron church,		4	90	5	95	4	90		
Cross Roads,		4	50	4	50	4	55		
P. M. Powell,		1	67	1	67	1	66		
Locky Simmons,		- 11	67	- 1	66		67	2 0	
Raleigh church,		9	33	9	33	9	34		
Danl. Hackney,		5	00					50	
Fayetteville Baptist church,		25	00	10	00	35	00	70 0	0
Newbern Baptist church,		40	00		- i			40 0	
Cartledge's Creek church,								*15 0	
Milton Baptist church,		9	97	9	97	9	97		1
Beulah Association,		7	13		13		14		
Mars Hill, Orange county,		6	67	6	67		66		
S. B. Carroway,		10	00			10	00		
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* At discretion of Convention.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

N. CAROLINA BIBLE AND BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

NewBerne, Saturday Evening, Oct. 15th, 1853. The Society held its anniversary meeting in the Baptist Church.

J. C. STEVENSON, Chairman.

The President, Elder J. J. James, in the chair.

The Secretary being absent, W. T. Brooks was requested to act as Secretary.

The meeting being organized; Elder R. I. Devin, of Oxford, offered

the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

• Resolved, That we heartily commend the interests of the North Carolina Bible and Baptist Publication Society to the prayers and contributions of our brethren throughout the State.

Elder A. D. Blackwood offered the following resolutions, which were also adopted.

Resolved, That we appoint a colporteur in every Association in North Carolina as soon as suitable men can be obtained.

Resolved, That the Society rep h Elder W. C. Patterson as their General Agent; and that the Board be a porized to fix his salary, and to appoint assistant agents if they deem them cessary.

Elder W. C. Patterson then addressed the meeting in relation to his operations and success as Agent.

Elder L. C. Perkinson also addressed the Society in relation to his

agency.

Brother G. Parks of S. C., made some very interesting statements in relation to the operations of the Southern Baptist Publication Society, located in Charleston, S. C.

On motion of Elder James S. Purify, the Constitution of the Society was so amended as to authorize the Board to require security of the

Treasurer and Colporteurs.

A communication was read from Prof, W. T. Walters, Treasurer, stating that it had not been in his power to prepare a report for the meeting of the Society, but promising to have it ready in time to be printed with the minutes.

On motion, the same officers were re-elected, and P. A. Dunn was

added as Auditor.

On motion, the same Board of Managers was continued.

The remainder of the business being referred to the Board, the So-J. J. JAMES. Pres. ciety adjourned. Prayer by ----.

W. T. BROOKS, Sec. pro tem.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NORTH CAROLINA BIBLE AND BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

ART. 1. This Society shall be called the North Carolina Bible and Publication Society, and shall be auxiliary to the Southern Bap. Pub. Society.

ART. 2. The objects of the Society shall be to extend the circulation of the Word of God, and of Religious Books and Publications, published under the patronage of our denomination. Also to encourage the establishment of Sabbath Schools and Sabbath School Libraries.

ART. 3. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three Vice Presidents, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditor and Depository Agent, who shall be elected or appointed annually.

ART. 4. The annual meetings of the Society shall be held with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Intermediate meetings of the Society, may be called by the President or two of the Vice Presidents.

ART. 5. Any person may become a member of the Society by the payment of one dollar annually—by the payment of ten dollars at one time, a Life Member—and by the payment of twenty-five dollars by a member of the Baptist church a Life Director, and each Baptist church or auxiliary Society shall be entitled to a delegation in the annual meetings of the Society, for every three dollars sent up.

ART. 6. Auxiliary Societies or churches contributing to the funds of the

Society, shall receive one half the amount back in books.

ART. 7. The business of the Society shall be conducted by a Board of

Managers, consisting of twenty members, with the officers of the Society to be appointed annually.

ART. 8. Any Auxiliary Society will be recognized as such, upon sending to the Corresponding Secretary a copy of their Constitution and list of officers.

ART. 9. The Treasurer shall keep the funds of the Society and disburse them as the Society or Board of Managers may direct, and shall make an annual report to the Society of the state of its funds, and the Depository Agent shall keep the Books and Publications of the Society, and dispose of them as the Board of Managers may direct.

ART. 10. The Society shall at each Annual Meeting appoint one or more persons to deliver an annual address or sermon, at the next anniversary.

ART. 11. The Society or Board of Managers shall have power to appoint

one or more Agents, and fix their compensation.

ART. 12. The proceedings of the Society shall be annually published with the proceedings of the Convention, at the expense of the Society.

FORM OF AN AUXILIARY

To the North Carolina Bible and Baptist Publication Society.

ART. 1. This Society shall be called the Bible and Baptist Publication Society of church or town, the object of which shall be the encouragement of the circulation of Bibles, religious books and tracts, and the establishment of one or more Sabbath Schools and libraries.

ART. 2. This Society shall be auxiliary to the North Carolina Bible and Baptist Publication Society, and its officers shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and Librarian, with a Board of nine Mana-

gers, who shall be elected annually.

ART. 3. The President, or in his absence one of the Vice Presidents, shall preside at its meetings. The Secretary shall record its proceedings; the Treasurer receive, keep, and disburse its funds according to the order of the Society; and the Librarian shall have charge of the Library.

ART. 4. The funds of the Society shall be paid over to the Agent or Treasurer of the parent State Society, one half to be returned in books at cost prices, and the other half devoted to the aid of destitute Sabbath Schools and

neighborhoods.

ART. 5. The Society shall meet annually, or oftener, at the call of one or more of its presiding officers. At the annual meetings, some one shall be

selected to address the Society, or preach a sermon before it.

ART. 6. Any person may become a member of the Society by contributing annually to its funds, or a life member, by the contribution at one time, of the sum of ten dollars.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be denominated the North Carolina Baptist Education Society.

ART. 2. The objects of this Society shall be to aid in raising a fund for the endowment of Wake Forest College and the promotion of the cause of

Education, particularly among the Baptist denomination in this State.

ART. 3. The officers of the Society shall be a President, three Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor, who with a board of twenty other individuals, shall constitute a Board of Managers, to conduct the business of the Society in the intervals of its meetings; and they shall be annually appointed.

ART. 4. The Board of Managers shall be located at Wake Forest College, but may adjourn to meet at other places. Five members shall constitute a

quorum to do business.

ART. 5. The Society shall hold its annual meetings with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, and an extra meeting at each annual Commencement of Wake Forest College, and the President or two of the Vice Presidents shall have power to call other meetings of the Society.

ART. 6. Any person by the contribution of one dollar annually may become a member of the Society, and by the contribution of twenty dollars or more become a Life Member of the Society.

ART. 7. At each annual meeting of the Society some one or more competent individuals shall be appointed to address the Society at the next annual meeting, and at the meeting at Wake Forest College some one shall likewise be appointed to address the Society at its next meeting at that place, and the President or Board of Managers may make other appointments or fill the places of those that decline.

ART. 8. The Society or the Board of Managers may appoint one or more Agents and fix their compensation, and give them the necessary instructions.

ART. 9. The Treasurer shall safely keep the funds of the Society and disburse them and invest them as the Society or Board of Managers may direct, and shall annually or oftener as they may direct, make a full report of the state of the finances in his hands or that may be invested.

ART. 10. The By-laws and Rules of Decorum adopted by the Convention

shall govern the Society so far as they are applicable.

ART. 11. The President, or in his absence the senior Vice President, shall preside at the meetings of the Society; and if neither be present, the Society shall appoint a President pro tempore.

ART. 12. In the meetings of the Board of Managers the President or one of the Vice Presidents, shall preside; and if neither be present, they shall ap-

point a chairman.

ART. 13. The foregoing Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

"I do hereby give and bequeath to the Trustees of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, and their successors in office, for the objects of that Convention, the sum of \$, to be paid by my exceutors within two years after my decease."

If the donor desires it specially to be given to the cause of Foreign Missions, Home Missions, or Education, Publication or Sunday School Society, or North Carolina Baptist Bible Society, he or she can state it in the bequest,

N. J. PALMER, *Secretary.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

"I do hereby give and bequeath to the Trustees of the Wake Forest College, incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of North Carolina, and their successors in office, the sum of \$\\$, for the use and benefit of the said institution, to be paid by my executor within two years after my decease."

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO OXFORD FEMALE COLLEGE.

I do hereby devise and bequeath to the Trustees of Oxford Female College, and their successors in office, the sum of \$, to be paid by my executor within two years after my decease, (or the death of my widow as the case may be.)

The donor or devisor can also state if desired, the particular object to which he or she may wish the legacy applied.

Devises to Murfreesborough Female Collegiate Institute, or any other incorporated Female Institution, can be given in the same form, only substituting the name of the Institution.

A List of Life Members of the Baptist State Convention of N. C., BY THE PAYMENT OF THIRTY DOLLARS.

Dr. Joseph B. Outlaw, Ann L. Pope, Delana High, Rev. C. R. Hendrickson, Charles W. Skinner, David Furlow, Rebecca Blount, Martha Blount, Rev. William Hooper, LL. D., Dr. B. F. Williams, Col. Samuel S. Biddle, Rev. N. A. Purify, Rev. James McDaniel, David Wells, Locky Simmons, Oliver H. Dockery, Mrs. Elizabeth Washington, Mrs. Susan W. Graham, Rev. A. McDowell, Rev. John H. Lacy, M. D. Martin Douglass, R. W. Lawson, Rev. P. C. Connelly, Rev. William C. Patterson, Rev. Aaron Jones, Mary Ann Metts, William P. Ward, Jos. Halsey, Lydia Simmons, Susanna Deans, Edward Howell, Elizabeth Watson, Sarah S. McCullers, Jemima W. Williams, Sarah Woodward, Amey Bingham, Mary Taylor, Isabella G. Russell, Rev. John Monroe,

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Names of Baptist Ministers in N. Carolina with their Post-offices.

NAMES.

Ammons, Joshua
Andrews, Levi
Ayres, Darius B
Alderman, A B
Atkiuson, Willie A
Averet, John C
Adams, L L
Askew, N
Adams, W F
Adams, Z B

Blackwood, A D
Bradford, G
Best, E A
Baldwin, S
Brown, W G
Bessent, Calvin W
Bullard, B
Bennett, Joel
Bullock, Z
Brooks, W T
Bruce, Bailey
Beserdeman, A
Benson, —
Barkley, J G
Bazemore, S
Bennett, Mark

Carter, H Connelly, P C Cobell, S Crutchfield, Enoch Cobb, Jordan Chaffin, N S Corn, N P Craig, A M Coggin, Willis Cashwell, James Crudup, Josiah Chastain, A C Colbreath, H Caudle, J H Chapel, W J Cheek, H Cliffton, J L

POST OFFICES.

Franklin, Macon county, N C
Hadley's Mills, Chatham,
Lumberton, Robeson,
Harrell's Store, New Hanover,
Forestville, Wake,
Botanic Hill, Nash,

Kinston, Bugabo, Wilks, Brier Creek,

Pekin, Edenton, Washington, Durhamsville, Hamptonville, Yadkin, Jerusalem, Davie, Leesville, Robeson, White Marsh, Columbus, Fair Bluff, Columbus, Forestville, Sugar Hill, McDowell, Harrell's Store, Moore's Creek, Enfield, Windsor, Tarboro,

Albemarle, Stanly, Montpelier, Richmond, Powell's Point. Patterson's Store, Lumber Bridge, Robeson, Mocksville, Hendersonville, Hotel, Bertie, Gulph, Chatham, Gray's Creek, Franklinton, Antioch, Rutherfordton, Germanton, Mount Pisgah, Bugabo, Piney Grove,

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Davis, Elias
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Dusenbury, Samuel
Devin, R I
Duty, Samuel
Dodson, Elias
Duncan, Charles
Durham, J D
Dowd, P W

Edwards, W H
Ellington, J F
Etheridge, D V
Everett, H
Elwell, J D
Evans, J

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Godby, G R
Gordon, C C
Goforth, W
Goly, Robert
Guy, A
Grayson, J C
Gilbert, A J
Griffith, R H
Gulledge, Joel
Garner, William

Hoggard, J N
Hoggard, T
Hooper, William
Haynes, John
Haynes, William
Henson, Thomas
Horton, L B
Hart, R D
Haywood, Thomas
Haywood, J N

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Lumberton,
Pitch Landing,
Allen's Bridge,
Oxford,
Oxford,
Yanceyville,
Madison,
Shelby,
Raleigh,

Peachtree Grove, Nash, Ellington's, Wake, Ballard's Bridge, Hotel, Columbia, Flat Rock,

Ellisville, Harrell's Store, Camden C H, Murfreesboro, Wakefield,

Murfreesboro, Mocksville, Warsaw, New Castle, Summerfield, Warsaw, Golden Valley, Goldston,

Poplar Hill, New Hope,

Windsor,
Pitch Landing,
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Pidgeon River,
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Scott's Creek,
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Raleigh,
Chapel Hill,
Auburn,
Jefferson,
Woodsdale,
Wilmington,

Summerville,

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Kenansville,

Murfreesboro, Plymouth,

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Nowell, Mark Nowell, John Newton, Reuben Niles, A N Noble, A M

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Wakefield, Cole Rain, Harrell's Store, Notley, Sholoate,

Berea, Holly Springs,

Columbia Factory, Chapel Hill, Plymouth, Summersville, Warrenton, Forestville, Warrenton, Siloam, Mocksville, Leesville, Warrenton, Sandy Plains, Webb's Ford, Edneysville, Tusquitee, Jonesville, Milton,

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